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STANLEY CLARK INTERVIEWED.

Stanley J. Clark, of Oklahoma, who is on a tour of Texas, in his usual characteristic way, blew into The Rebel office, Saturday morning, 19th inst., to fill a date in this city. He spoke to a large crowd in this city Saturday afternoon and left Sunday morning to fill dates in Yoakum and South Texas points.

"It was in 1904 when I was in Hallettsville before," said Clark when interviewed by The Rebel editor, "the world has moved many miles toward the co-operative commonwealth since that time." "How is Oklahoma did you say," said Clark in answer to our question as to the Oklahoma movement. "Well we have them on the run. We have fourteen thousand dues paying members in the state and the farmers are coming into the organization in a way that makes the heart of a Democrat grafter shudder. In 1912 we polled forty-two thousand votes, with eight thousand members in good standing; if that ratio keeps up this year we will carry the state. Of course we can not swear that we will do quite so well as that, but when the votes are counted in Oklahoma in November the plutes will know that we have a militant Socialist movement in Oklahoma."

"To what do you attribute your wonderful growth in that state?" asked The Rebel editor. "In the first place," replied Clark, "there is no state in the union that capitalism has so robbed the farmer as in Oklahoma. It was thespirit of protest on the part of the pioneers in Kentucky and other western states that landed Andrew Jackson in the president's chair. You see the poor devils that have been driven by the lash of poverty from the congested sections of the north and east have turned on their oppressors in Oklahoma, because there is no other place to which they can tramp, and through the persistent work of the Socialist agitaor they are fast learning that political action is the only thing that can relieve them and that along class lines. Then again we have passed into that period where we have learned to fight the enemy and not one another. We have learned to govern ourselves up there, all of our efforts are being used against the enemy."

"How do you find The Texas movement Clark?" was the next question. "You are sure to double the vote and perhaps treble it. At all points I have made the membership is fully alive and crowds are so large that houses won't hold them. At all places there is perfect harmony of thought and action. Meitzen is making a splendid impression everywhere and I predict he will make a splendid showing in November. To tell you the truth, Tom, if all the agitators are having the wonderful meetings that I am having it may be that we will have a number of Socialists in the State House next year in Texas.'

What is your experience along Renter's Union lines in both Oklahoma and Texas?

I have watched the Renter's Union since its birth with extreme interest. I realize that in the cotton kingdom it will be of great assistance to the rent slave. When I say "the cotton kingdom" I mean not only Texas and Oklahoma in which states I have done most of my work in recent years, but I mean states like Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee, my native state, and the other southern states that have not as yet developed a strong Socialist sentiment. I thoroughly dealize the necessity for keeping the Renter's Union non Party in politics and tabboing creeds of every kind, but, nevertheless I must say that capitalism has reached the stage where the ruling class controls the politics of the different states so thoroughly that it would be a magnificient move in the south to put all the parties on record on a great fundamental proposition such as use and occupancy being the tittle to land. If for instance the Democratic party should accept this fundamental proposition as to land tenure and the Socialist party should refuse to accept it I believe that the time is here for all decent workingmen, whether on the farm or elsewhere, to destroy that party. And vice versa, if the Democratic party, the dominant party in the Southern states should refuse to accept this plank and the Socialist party should accept it then I believe that the way is made clear to the workers as to how they should handle the Democratic party that has refused to accept this plank of the Renter's Union.

To this extent and to this extend alone I believe the Renter's Union should enter politics, and I believe that when they put the acid test of "use and occupancy" as the title to land, and a tax to the full limit on all land held out of use for speculative purposes that even the biggest kind of a Henry Dubb renter will know where he is sitting.

I have watched the Renter's Union movement in Oklahoma more than in Texas. I have assisted to the best of my ability on the stump in spreading its propaganda. I was glad to see that there were some thirty locals organized in our state and I watch from now on to see a vigorous and rapid growth now that the ground has been broken. I know that it has been the experience of all agricultural unions in the past that they have been slow in getting under way but inevitably there comes a physicological moment when the masses are ripe for the movement that the pioneers have builded. Then those who have been on the watch tower can cry out: "They are coming father Abraham a hundred thousand strong." When this occurs in Texas and in Oklahoma, the states in which the movement has sunk deepest in the minds of the renters; then it will spread to every state in the south and I challenge contradiction anywhere of this statement that this economic organization will have its political reflex. In short, the renters banded as one will seize the state capitals of the sunny south in the interest of their families and themselves. That this consumation that we so earnestly wish for will occur within the next few years I firmly believe and when it does then it is good-bye to landlordism in the south, and in fact the entire nation.

I am glad the national convention of our party in 1912 and the state convention of our party in Texas has been wise enough to endorse industrial unions of this character and I believe that this endorsement will be made even stronger as the days go on."

Then the big fellow left for the stump to carry on the war for economic and political organization.

Cotton, Sugar and War!

Before The Rebel will say anything to you, on this subject I would wish to remark that the south is in a frightful shape at present; in fact is in a condition that approximates the worst condition that existed here since 1893—94. You who live in the north and read The Rebel would believe this if you were down here where cotton at 15c means prosperity and cotton at 7 cents means poverty and all that is thereby entailed. Understanding this let me ask you this question: what is the reason that sugar has steadily been up since war was declared and cotton has gone down? Is it because the soldiers of La Belle France become so excited when on the firing line that they need an extra dose of saccharine in the java? or is it because their main support, the English soldiers wants a little extra sweetning in their oolong or other chinese tea? Is it because the German peasant, rifle in hand, finds himself divorced from his sauer-kraut and in desperation demands something as sweet as the kraut is sour? Is it because the men from Russia missed their vodka and demand the fruit of the cane of Louisiana instead? If it is not for any of these reasons then why is it that sugar has gone up? It appears to The Rebel that the sugar as a sweetening however delectable to the taste it may be, is not as necessary to the troops as the cotton clothes that cover their backs. Are not the kings and ministers who sent them to the front aware of this simple fact? Wherefore The Rebel arises and asks why is it that sugar has gone up and cotton has gone down?

Methinks the answer is simple. It is just this: THAT THOSE GENTLEMEN WHO OWN THE RAW PRODUCTS IN THE CANE FIELDS OF LOUISIANA AND IN THE BEET SUGAR FIELDS OF COLORADO AND UTAH AND CUBA ARE THE GENTLEMEN WHO OWN THE REFINERIES THAT PRODUCE THE SUGAR FOR THE MARKET. IN OTHER WORDS THEY CATCH'EM A COMING AND AGWINE.

Different is it with the men who produce the cotton in the southern states in which the fleecy staple is king. Down in our country there are a million retailers and the textile mills of the north do not own any plantations or any other way control the raw product except indirectly through some slight stock exchange speculation. The fierce competition among the million of cotton raisers enables the owners of the mills, whether in Lawrence, Mass., Manchester, N. H., Liverpool, Engl., or Singapore to get the product from the producer at the lowest possible price.

AND THAT IS THE REASON THAT COTTON HAS GONE DOWN.

Look at this matter a little further:

The Rebel would like to point out that the price of hogs is standing stationary and bacon has gone out of of sight.

The price of cotton seed has gone to $12.00 per ton and the price of lard, cottolene and other by products of the cotton seed is selling higher than ever before and so on along the line.

Having pointed out these facts The Rebel would merely state that the whole situation is brought around by speculation. This speculation is made possible by the ownership of the mills, the refineries, the refrigating cars, the cold storage warehouses and all the great machinery that is controlled by the sugar and beet trusts. This is the reason that the farmers Union has lost out in this crisis and is practically dead. They have not recognized that the market is controlled by those that control the railroads and other machinery of distribution. The Socialist party asserts that the ownership of the social necessities are necessary before we can see freedon for those who produce the raw products of the nation.

RENTERS UNION CONVENTION.

The fourth annual convention of the Renter's Union will take place in Waco on or about October 31st. If ever there was a time when it was necessary for the renters to get together to discuss their conditions it will be on this occasion at Waco. With the price of cotton and cotton seed cut in about one half the renter finds himself in as deplorable a condition as are the peasants of Europe who are now killing one another in the interest of their masters, the war lords and the kings. If anything the peasant in Europe has the best of it because he is getting the excitement of battle and is listening to the music of the massed bands playing martial airs. The tenants of Texas are sitting on the gallery of their rented shacks and with their wives and children, numbering over 1,000,000 strong, have nothing to relieve their dull and vapid lifes while they watch the crops going for a price that means for them deeper debt and longer steps towards peonage.

To arouse this vast army of renters and those that depend upon them is the sublime task of the men and women who are building the renters' union. The renters must be told that from no other source can help come. The alliance of Radford and Lewis and the principal state officials of the Farmer's Union with the criminal secretaries of Fort Worth which has resulted in the triumph of the landlords the country bankers and the saloons, has resulted in the wiping out of all hope for the actual farmers and renters who till the soil of Texas so far as the Farmers Union concerned.

This was to be expected from the beginning. The Farmer's Union has gone to the economic graveyard because it has never gone down into the question of the ownership of the land the source of all life. They have concerned themselves almost exclusively with the question of marketing the crop and accordingly they have filled the union with discordant elements. The landlord who exacts exorbirant cash rents; the landlord who demands a bonus; the landlord who demands 60 per cent of the crop; sat cheek by jowl with the tenant whom he robbed. Further the union was based on an idenity of interest between the renter, the actual farmer, and the landlord with the result that confusion sat in the councils of the Farmer's Unions until the state officials made it possible to elect a userer governor of the state, unless E. R. Meitzen one of the founders of the Renter's Union, should succeed in beating the democratic nominee at the polls in November.

Could the mind of man conceive of a more deplorable condition than the mortgaged farmers and tenants of Texas are in because of their stupidity and the cupidity of their officials. Bankrupt, busted, poverty stricken and homeless with ragged wives and children; unnourished in body and without education in mind their lot approximates today the worst conditions of the agricultural masses of Southern Europe and there lives not within the borders of the lone star state one man that can intelligently contradict this picture of over a million actual farmers and renters and thir wives and children!

What to do then is the question. The answer springs instantly to the lips. Come to Waco and attend the Renter's Union convention. Lay plans for the future. Let us have a great council of war because though through no action of ours, peace has been shot to pieces in Texas, just as completely as in war stricken Europe.

In this council of ours we are going to discuss the following questions: How are the renters going to secure homes for the year 1915? How are they going to destroy speculation in land with its accompanying usuary? How are they going to dominate the politics of the state so that they may be able to act for their own interests should another crisis come upon them? How can the Renter's Union be builded to the point where a quarter of a million men will be able to make the muzzled press unmuzzled and tell the truth of conditions as they are? These are some of the questions that will be discussed at the council of war at the Renter's Union Convention.

It appears to us that even the blindest should be able to see the necessity of turning out in full force when we meet in Waco. The reason that we are not able to give the exact date of the convention is because E. O. Meitzen, Secretary-Treasurer of the Renter's Union is in a correspondence with the cotton palace officials to the end that a day be set aside from Oct. 1st to Nov. 15, that shall be known as Renter's Union Day in which the actual farmers and renters of Texas will be invited to appear and discuss their grievances and determine upon a plan of action to bridge us over this crisis, a crisis, that if not properly handled may lead to bread riots and blood shed all over the state.

WATCH FOR FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS IN NEXT WEEKS REBEL.

WORKINGMAN'S COLLEGE OF TEXAS.

Prof. Reddin Andrews of Tyler, twice nominee for Governor on the Socialist ticket, is being urged by these who know his worth and ability to found a Workingman's college at some central point in Texas.

Prof. Andrews is one of the most noted educators in Texas having in the part served as president of Baylor University and other colleges.

The idea is to begin on a small scale and then build up. Waco would be a most suitable location and arrangements could no doubt be made to secure temporary quarters at reasonable rent perhaps in connection with the local Socialist movement. Arrangements could be made for reasonable board for pupils and Prof. Andrews could be secured as president of thei nstitution and in view of his special proficiency in that respect would teach the elementary branches of learning such as grammar, rhetoric, mathematics etc. One thorough instructor would be engaged to begin with, to assist in the work in teaching of working class economies. And then as the classes grew further additions could be made to the faculty and the course of study. The college would not only be a drill ground for the working class agitators and lecturers, but as a preparatory school it would be at least equal to any similar institution in the state. Comrade Andrews having had much experience and a wide reputation for his ability as an instructor in preparing young men for the state and other universities.

In other words the idea is to supplant the capitalist academies with a college that every way, shape and form comes up to them in teaching the elementary branches of learning and excel them in the correct interpretation of economics from a working class standpoint.

Let it be understood that the above is only a move mare or less tentative,it is put forward with a view of learning how many people are interested in this proposal. All who expect to attend school of this kind or who are otherwise interested in making it a success are urged to write to Reddin Andrews, Tyler, Texas, giving their views and ideas at once. Further details regarding the proposed college will then be forwarded to those interested and will also be announced in the papers.

The writer has no personal interest in the venture except that he recognizes the crying need for such a college in Texas, and the fact that Comrade Andrews and his associates will be fully competent to supply this need. I hope that it may be possible to establish this college before the snow flies; and believe it will be possible if the expected support is forthcoming. Remember that if you write to Comrade Andrews, you will not be obligated in any way until you formally apply for a scholarship.

Now all together let us build up a college of our own in Texas and thus aid in the great work of properly educating the rank and file of the working class and of the Socialist party.

E. R. Meitzen.

"I own a little property and it keeps me just scratching to pay the taxes and improvements." Wrong brother, that property owns you both body and soul.

The man who reads The Rebel for 40 weeks gets more for his quarter than any other man in America for the same expenditure. What do you think about it?

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Suppose, just quietly suppose, that we had a hundred thousand people subscribing for The Rebel that would mean about 400,000 people reading it in the coton kingdom. What do you think would happen? Now don't you all reply at once.

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Are you achieving anything! or **just working?**

Did you buy your bale yet? No. Why? Because you haven't the price. What is the answer? Join the Socialist party and the Renters' Union.

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This war will produce 100,000 votes for the Socialist party in Texas next November. If we had not built up a thoroughly efficient organization we would not have ben able to get 1,000 votes. The moral is organize, organize, organize.

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The truth about capitalism is that it is founded upon a lie.

Stanley J. Clark spoke on the courthouse lawn in Hallettsville from 2:30 to 4:00 last Saturday afternoon. Every donk official in town was sheltered behind the battlements. Their rubbering at long distance out of the windows was a beautiful illustration of the elasticity of the human nock. Just before going to press three days later the Rebel learns that they are slowly but painfully recovering.

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Talking about Clark causes The Rebel to ask this question that he raised at the above named meeting to wit: "Is there any lawyer in Texas that can show any legal basis for the ownership of land save that which is advocated by Ernest Meitzen which is that: use and occupancy constitute the sole title to land."

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Talking about the Democratic primaries Clark raised this question last Saturday in this sweet little old southern town: "The Democratic party has bound you up to vote in a primary in July under penalty of not changing your mind by next November. The Democratic party can always win that way. They simply ask you to stop thinking. In this they are logical, because how in sheol could a man vote the democratic ticket if he did any thinking."

If all that the preachers have sworn about Ferguson is true how many of them will go into the polling booth next November and vote for the democrat nominee.

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Clark also said, "The title deed to land is of the same charracter as a revenue license. It is not positive evidence that the holder thereof is guilty of the sale of whiskey in a dry territory but only one of the evidences of such. The holder of the license must be caught in act of selling before conviction ensues so the holder of a title deed to land must be caught in the possession of the land to hold it." So saith the law. That is the position that the Socialist party takes as to the private ownership of land in Texas.

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The Republicans will give the workers the same kind of a dose as *the Donks have given him* if put in power in Oklahoma. There is absolutely no difference in them. The only change will be new faces at the pie counter.

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Another preacher said, "Thou shalt not kill."
It was so said at Sinai,
Then he voted for battleships and guns.
The Rebel would like to know just why.

TEXAS NOTES.

E. A. Hickey, State Secretary, Hallettsville, Texas.)

New Locals Organized.

Tom Bean, Grayson county; G. W. Trammel, Sec., Rt. 1, self organized.

Bois d'are Ridge, Fannin, Co., T. F. Tyler, Direct, Texas, organized by G. R. Garrison.

Panther Chapel, Franklin Co., J. C. Rhine, Hagansport, Rt 6.

Grand Prairie, Dallas Co., S. W. Price, Grand Prairie, County organization. Organized by J. C. Rhine.

Vernon, Wilbarger Co., Fred. A. Newth, Vernon, Self organized.

Boswell, Bosque Co., Will Lacy, Boswell. Organized by County Secretary W. J. Watkins.

Terrell, Kaufmann Co., A. W. Jones, Terrell. Self organized.

Irving, Dallas Co., F. M. Mellinn, Irving, County organization.

Iredell, Bosque Co., organized by J. W. Watkins, County Secretary.

Chillicothe, Hardeman Co., J. R. P. Hindeman, Chillicothe, county organization.

Fargo, Wilbarger Co., J. E. Buchen, Fargo, County organization.

Bell county, W. J. Kennedy, Temple Rt. 3. County Organization.

8th Congressional District, C. R. Trinsy, 8105 toward Bldg. Self organized.

Van Alstyne, Grayson Co., J. T. Hunnicutt, Sec. Organized by Co. Sec. C. P. Duncan.

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Governor's Special.

Comrades R. R. Meitzen and W. S. Noble, candidates for governor and lieutenant governor will fill the following dates, making three speeches each day:

Wimmsboro, Sept. 25; Wolfe City, Sept. 26; Mineola, Sept. 27; Gilmer, Sept. 28; Rusk, Sept. 29, Palestine, Sept. 30; Jacksonville, Oct. 1; Corsicana, Oct. 2 and 3.

M. A. Smith is in the field and is ready to fill appointments at reasonable terms. Address him Campbell, Texas Route 4.

Stanley Chisholm has been making a big hit as usual wherever he goes through the state. He spoke in Hallettsville last Saturday and on Sunday talked to capacity houses in Yoakum. He is as great on the platform this year as at any time during his career.

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This is the kind of letters we like to get from our live workers:

I am sending you 30 names the number in our local self-organized is Chilicothe. We hope to get 50 soon. I am sending $4.50 for dues and 50c for charter.

Please mail our dues start with next month at which please send all necessary instructions.

Fraternally yours,

J. K. P. Hindeman.

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Glen Rose, Tex., Sept.13.

Dear Comrade:—

The Somervell party of Bosque county has elected me as organizer on a salary of $2.50 per day and expenses. I have just completed a short tour in the county with much success organizing three locals out of the 4 places in which I visited. That is what I call pretty good. I have been in the organizers fields so I know that if they can be gotten in a local I am get them. People are more awakened to the fact that it depends on the solidarity of the workers to solve their problems. I will be routed again soon by the County Secretary and will need a lot of literature to sell on my way over the county. I will have to pay for same as I sell them. If I sell to sell any part of them. I would return them at my expense or pay for them myself. I would like to have a dozen Rebel Cards and will leave you to judge as to what would be the best to sell and do the most good.

If this is agreeable with you send an assorted lot that you think will sell best as soon as you can.

Yours in the fight,

W. W. Reece.

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"Find enclosed money order for dues as shown in report. Have been so busy I have not had time to make a report of our encampments. Our encampment was a great success in every respect with an average attendance of 1,000 people. The financial conditions of the country has got our local in bad shape with their dues but they will rally and come again all right.

With best wishes for Socialism, I am,

J. B. Fowles, Frisco, Tex.

H. Grady Milner, of Wichita Falls, wants dates in south and west Texas, beginning Nov. 1st. Comrades in these sections wanting a good speaker write to the state office at once.

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Irving, Tex., Sept. 13th.

Dear Comrade:—

Enclosed you will find $1.00 for which send me six of the governor's pictures and for what money is left send me platforms.

We are organizing a local at Irving with 9 members with F. M. Skillen as secretary.

Yours in the fight,

F. M. Campbell.

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Seymour, Tex., Sept. 10th.

Europe is drenched in blood, America is threatened with war and a food famine. All Socialists and sympathizers are urgently requested to meet at the Court house in Seymour, Texas, on the 20th day of September 1914 at 1:30 o'clock p. m. C. Duncan, Chrm. J. M. Dobbins, Sec.

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Comrade P. G. Zimmerman is ready to fill dates now in central and north Texas. If you want him write us at once.

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Stanley J. Clark dates: Donna Sept. 26, 27, 28 and 29; San Benito, Sept. 30, Brownsville, Oct. 1; San Antonio, Oct. 2.

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Literature Bargains.

"War What For" by Geo. R. Fitzpatrick, paper cover, 20c.

"Socialism, What It Is and How to Get It," Ameringer's great little pamphlet: a 10c booklet. Till they are sold, at 5c straight, express or postpaid.

"No Compromise, No Political Trading," by William Liebknecht, 64 pages. A powerful argument why Socialists should not swerve from the straight and narrow path. 10 cents each or 3 for 20 cts.

"What Is Socialism and What Isn't," John M. Work, 160 pages. A clear concise refutation of the objections to Socialism. 10 cents each, 3 for 25 cents.

Platform Text Book, former price 25c, now 20c, postpaid.

"Socialism Made Easy," by James Connolly, 61 pages. A single easily understood explanation of what Socialism stands for. 10 cts. each, 3 for 20 cts.

Men and Mules, Bean and Butterflies, and other Rex books at 5 each, 3 for 25 cents.

"Danger Ahead," by Debs and Chas. Edward Russell. All Social at about half price for booklet now going at 3c a copy.

T. A. Hickey, State Sec.

Hallettsville, Texas.

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List of Available Speakers.

W. T. Flowers, Talbert, Texas; T. A. Pressly, Alvord, Tex.; G. A. Lambreth, Ira, Texas. J. A. Freeland Reese, Texas. J. W. Brice, Jr., Cameron, Tex. Wm. Curd, Campbell, Texas. J. W. Pyburn, Birome, Texas. O. G. Clopton, McDade, Tex. H. Grady Milner, box 312, Wichita Falls, Texas.

H. J. Brice, Woodsboro.

W. L. Thurman, Sulphur, Okla.

Geo. W. Nicholson, Farmers Branch, Texas.

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We have printed a good supply of cards 11x14 inches, giving the pictures of our nominees for governor and lieutenant governor with suitable wording. Just the thing for posting up or putting in show windows. Will send these to any local at following prices: 2 to 10 cards at 4 cents each. 10 to 25 cards at 3 cents each. Over 25 cards at 2 cents each. Address all orders to

T. A. Hickey, Stat. Sec.

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Comrade Nagle's article, "The Interlocked Parasites", is raising a lot of trouble for parasites in Oklahoma. Never did a piece of propaganda literature more clearly analyze a situation. The former who is not able to recognize the class enemies after reading this article is blind indeed. In view of the present rotten situation, this article appeared at exactly the right time.

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The truth about the yellow Socialists is that he wants Socialism if he doesn't have to abolish capitalism to get it.

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The truth about the class struggle is that it is the SUPREME fact of our time and THE GREAT WORLD ISSUE.

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The truth about the Proletarian Revolution is that it will transform the ruling powers from the hands of the Bourgeoisie to the working class.

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The truth about some people is that they don't know and don't want to know, and condemn everything on general principles

PERSON THOWN BACK IN JAIL.

Clinton, Ill., Sept. 7, 1914.—(Special Correspondence.)—Anarchy is rife in DeWitt County, Ill. It is the red high handed anarchy of the dollar demon.

Two years ago Carl Person back in jail. Today I saw him locked up in the same cell in DeWitt county jail where they had put him for the same old trumped up murder charge until a Chicago judge ordered his release on bail.

The iron heel of the Illinois Central rule has trampled justice beyond all recognition in this corporation infested community. States Attorney Williams has gone insane with madness, he is serving the interest that is demanding the life of Carl Person.

Latest Outrage Timed.

Williams and the Illinois Central ring this latest outrage just when Person and his attorney Frank Comerford were engaged in preparing the labor editor's defense on the murder charge, by which the railroad corporation hopes to end Person's life on the gallows.

Several weeks ago Person printed in the Strike Bulletin— The same paper that has cost the Illinois Central millions by its fearless exposures—the name of a man who was known to the union men of the Illinois Central as a strike breaker for the road. In the Bulletin the man was called a scab, so far it has not been denied that he is a scab. No one has even questioned the rightfullnes of the name being applied to Illinois Central hirelings who are doing action men by working in their places during the long strike of the shop men.

Phony Foundation for Charge.

This is a flimsy foundation for a charge of criminal libel on which Person was arrested in Tuscon and thrown back in the dinky cell in the DeWitt county jail.

States Attorney Williams knows that Person's trial on the charge of murdering Tonsy Musser ex-chief of Police of Clinton, Ill. and ex-city marshal here for the Illinois Central is less than two weeks off. Williams knows that Person, working all night with Attorney Comerford on the preparation of the evidence for the defense.

The story of the so-called murder is known to every union man in this part of the state, recovered from his office by the gunman and Musser beaten to death when the stunt sprang from upon the lie Person was the ambush. In self defense Person shotand killed the Illinois Central slugger.

The case against Person and the labor hatred in DeWitt county was so intense that Attorney Comerford in a remarkable series of over 500 square miles in DeWitt county secured over 300 sworn affidavits of prospective jurors before they were forced to grant a change of venue, therefore by taking the trial to an adjoining county.

Make Bail Prohibitive.

The same prejudice has been taken into consideration by the judge in increasing bail on the last charge sothat it will be impossible to get Person out on bail. The prosecution contends that the bail in this case be signed by property owners of DeWitt county. A large percentage of these live in the territory to be owned by the Illinois Central. The remainder is under the control of the corporation and are powerful. No property owner of DeWitt county dares sign Carl Person's bond. even if he wanted to.

This is the anarchy that is abroad in DeWitt county where people are calling themselves Americans.

The disembodiedness of the spirit of democracy the when there are no more markets, for markets are the only thing for which the disembodiedness is cultivated.

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Happiness in the real sense of that other misused word, and lies in the direction of progress. The direction of happiness is commensurate with the durability of the thing acheived.

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The truth about automobiles is that workers make them and drivers take them.

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Thetruth about Graft is that Unpaid Labor is the source of all graft.

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Thetruth about the middle class is that it is not capable of running a working class party.

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The desire to command is far nobler than the will to obey.

WE MUST THINK OF OURSELVES OR ALWAYS BE SLAVES

We must learn that the Materialist conception of History means that the bread and butter question is the most important one in life. Every war epoch of history and the business interests of nations by had a dominating economic cause. For example the south could profitably own slaves while the north could not and as long as the south an economic advantage the north agitated emancipation which ended finally brought on the Civil War. The north sought economic equity with the south which caused the war.

Surplus Value.

When a person hires to another he doesn't get as much in wages as his work is worth. He works part of the day to pay for his wages or "keeps" just as the negroes did in ante bellum days and the balance free so far, his master may make a profit off his labor. This free labor creates the surplus value which goes to make our millionaires.

The Class Struggle.

There are many kind as those who refuse to see. All who will can see that there is a bitter class struggle — namely labor struggling against capitalism. The capitalists are solidly organized into "trusts" one. Laborers are organized into little unions and bands which the capitalists exploit pit one against another. Both capitalists and laborers are struggling for more and more of the surplus value. The laborers create all surplus value, therefore it is theirs. Socialists are trying to organize every laborer into one big union so that they may get all the surplus value for the product of their labor. They also aim to get into political power. Then everything publicly used will be publicly owned and all things privately used will be privately owned.

Comrades let your motto be; "Onward, forward to victory." Don't say I am a Socialist until you know Socialism from A to Z.

Onward, Comrades, to victory.

Franklin Best.

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VANDERVELDE COMING TO U. S. IN WAR ON GER-MANY.

Emil Vandervelde, most prominent of Belgian Socialists participant of the International Socialist Congress, who was made minister of state to Belgium as a result of the war, left Paris enroute to the United States against the German atrocities being committed in that country.

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New Chinese Revolution—The Chinese revolutionists will take advantage of the European war to attempt President Yuan Shi Kai's overthrow, according to the Pacific coast agents of the revolutionary party.

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Socialist Result After War—That the European war will be followed by a social revolution is the opinion of Dr. Julius Halpern, a New York physician who left Berlin the day after war was declared, and has just arrived in New York.

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The truth about the capitalist class is that it lies drowned the earth in the blood of Labor when it was necessary to perpetuate their rule.

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The truth regarding electricities is that when they strike all kinds of power of gold and splendor of the capitalist class can not light up a city.

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Thetruth about UNPAID LABOR is that it is the cause of the poverty of the people, the crime that and the misery among the masses.

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The truth about poverty is it can be abolished when the workers decide they will not be poor any longer, and stand as a unit to destroy the profit system.

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The truth about the jail is that the fit criminal is outside of it.

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The truth about "co-operatives" is that they will not stop the robbery of the toiler.

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The truth about the capitalist class is that it could not exist without surplus value.

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Direct action is silly unless you have organized po xr.

OUR REBS.

Read the double column call for subs and donations on the next page very carefully. Take it from the Rebel straight that this will be the best edition ever turned out from the Rebel press. There will be articles from the pens of our candidates for governor and Lieutenant governor. There will be an article on the Renters Union by Jno. O. Meitzen, Sec.-Treas., which will thoroughly cover the conditions of those who are suffering from 7 cent cotton. The Editor of the Rebel will have a review of the war, showing that matter in a new light. There are people, running into the six figures in numbers, who can be shown the error of their ways in supporting the choice of the dunk candidate for governor last July. The Ball men will be shown why they should vote for Meitzen. The democratic scheme to elect the governor in July instead of November will be thoroughly exposed. The methods used by the monied press to deceive the masses of the people of Texas will be explained in the most thorough fashion. This will be just the number you want to awaken your sleeping neighbors as to conditions as they are. We have written to Debs for an article, and hope that the old chieftain will be able to respond. Remember that our candidate for governor is out in the thick of the fight now and what he will write for you will give you first information as to how the battle ranges in every part of Texas that he has visited in his campaign that began away back on the 26th of last July. The Rebel calls upon our supporting list that has been with us in our battles so far to order copies of this issue at the lowest rate that a paper can be turned out in Texas today: 10 copies for a nickel, 200 for $1.00. Let everybody respond.

SOME WAR TALK TO MY CHRISTIAN FRIENDS.

Now I am not a prophet, but I want to deliver a message to our friends one who was. Moreover one whose vow you can not dispute. See Daniel 12—1 wherein he spoke of the war now ranging in the east. How do I know, is not this war? I know it because it answers to the description in that it is predicting the most unparalleled times that ever was since there was a nation.

Just who or what is meant by Michael "standing by" may be debatable, but there can be no doubt about the predicted times. Michael in my opinion was not a person but a representative of a principle rather of the truth, right-ousness, standing up for the rights of a down trodden and oppressed people. That is to say; the children of the people striving for justice. I believe this is Heaven's time at the present time. The people who are now striving for justice for a righteous government among men will not unlikely very many of them at least live to enjoy it, but their children will. Now Michael his principality of a kingdom of future generations. They are promised deliverance from that. Evidently from the ravages of that war. These troublous times since that is what he was talking about. Everyone shall be found written in the book. Some people seem to think the book here referred to means the bible. If that is true then no one in the world is. Since no ones names can be found in the bible. It is hardly probable that all will be lost. Some will be saved and will be delivered. Then it is evident that bible is not the book referred to indeed not a literal book written or printed with ink for any kind but a living example of the principles of truth for which the name Michael stands. For the book that the names can only be those who have manifested the spirit of the truth and proven self sacrifice enough for the cause of peace. This principle is standing up as is evident from the fact that many are forcing all kinds of persecutions even death itself in defense of a down trodden and oppressed people pleading for peace and business of the race of mankind. Michael if there was such a person could only have died for a soldier cause, hence we conclude that these people, those noble seeking people, justice demanding and brotherly loving people are today representing Michael and they are "standing up" hence the trouble they endure.

Money holds man captive almost as much as prison walls, and sometimes more so.

FROM OKLAHOMA.

J. S. U. Elday.

The "Red Week" campaign is bringing results in splendid shape. From all over the state new locals continue to roll in to the state office. We are not only making the "red spots redder" but we are also planting socialism where it never grew before.

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The state office has a lot of excellent propaganda matter all wrapped and ready to mail when funds come in. Pay dues right now comrades, if you wish the campaign to continue as it has in the past. Bulletin No. 2, entitled, "A State Robbed and Betrayed", is good stuff and must be put in the hands of the citizens of Oklahoma at once. Get some more stamps on your little old red card and do it now.

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The bankers at the cotton convention called by Gov. Cruce at Oklahoma City on Sept. 16, seemed very much aggrieved that the farmer should resent paying a high rate of interest as well as being skinned out of his labor in the cotton fields. They evidently take same view of the farmer the showman did who put the following sign on the cage of a certain lion in his menagerie: "This beast is very ferocious. When attacked, it fights desperately for its life."

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The democrats of Seminole county, in mass meeting assembled, passed resolutions declaring that they favored monogamous marriage, the old time religion, white supremacy and democratic homes. We judge that the actions of certain democrat senators and Oklahoma state officials make the above resolutions absolutely necessary. Possibly the reference to "unbastell" homes was brought about by the forclosing of farm mortgages recently by democrat and republican bankers.

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The sudden interest of the democrat party in religion is doubtless due to a desire to substitute lye soap, mule dehorner and the like now existing in thousands of democrat breasts against the standard bearer of the party. United seals of democrats but "Our Bob" with a body, consuming hatred that must be very disheartening to the pious and religious person who are conducting Williams' campaign. A great revival of the old time religion is almost the only thing that will make a big bunch of democrats forget and forgive the ballot box prevarications of the August primaries.

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You haven't heard anything about that red card yet have you? Well you will. If you have neglected to take out that little evidence of your interest in your child's future, the time has come you get busy about the matter. The state office needs your help. The national office can use every cent of dues to good advantage. Remember that economic salvation is not free. It will cost time and personal effort to get the old card and get it and begin to pay your share of the bill right now.

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John Fields—Republican Capitalist Candidate.

In Oklahoma, the republican party is controlled by the Hanna-Foraker-Root-Penrose-Ross Cox—Aldrich gang of parasites who took the American worker to a standstill. Some trouble cleaning during the twenty years they were in control. Here in Oklahoma, Fields and his capitalist gang are the only corporate gang of grafters who made life a holy terror of a thing to all unfortunate who did not belong to the robber and profiting by a good thing. Harris and Geissler, managers of the republican campaign, have in mind with every interest that delight to skin the workers of this and other states.

And be the word to the workers are not afraid of Mr. Fields. In Oklahoma City his pictury is to be seen in many bank windows. They are the "safety first" kind. Safety will do no harm to the interlocked parasites of this state. The worker who votes the republican ticket to get rid of democrat graft and inefficiency is feeble minded indeed. Hopping out of the frying pan into the fire would be a very mild way of putting it.

Remember that both the democrat and republican parties belong to the capitalist-parasite group of Oklahoma, because these parties are financed and managed by this group. It doesn't matter for the banker group whether Fields or Williams occupies the governor's chair. Either may be depended upon to skin the worker to a queen's taste.

Farm Credits.

You hear a lot about farm credits these days, and to hear these anxious office seekers talk about farm credits one would think that would be a panacea for all the farmers ills. Claud Weaver, a member of the Committee on Agricultural in the lower house, says, "The question of how to help the farmer who needs help most is an unanswerable question". Say you could save the farmer a little on their loans, how would that benefit the hundred thousand renters in Oklahoma? Did you know that a renter has no place to stop without getting the permission from someone, save that part that is socialized, the section lines?

The following figures were taken form the report of the board of agriculture September 1911. I am giving the counties in the 7th district. It is much worse on the eastern side of the state and there has been many of these homes that have passed from the owners possession since 1911:

County,	Homes owned	Homes rented
Beckham	1184	606
Custer	1771	961
Dewey	1853	912
Ellis	2269	1396
Greer	989	718
Harmon	835	573
Jackson	1123	964
Kiowa	680	673
Roger Mills	1972	457
Tillman	1383	819
Washita	2023	1054

All but Tillman and Kiowa had free homes. Now of those owned 85 per cent or more, is mortgaged to the limit and this is not only in Oklahoma, one-half the farmers in Nebraska are tenants. I ask you good democrats and republicans to take a look at your children and ask yourselves the question, what is going to become of your children when they grow up? I know you love your children just as dearly as we Socialists do ours, but we Socialists have organized ourselves into a working class party (the Socialist party) and we are working and voting to change the defects in the industrial system. There are homes for all but unless there is some change and that quickly, your children will be in the same condition as the peon of Mexico. Do you want that kind of a condition? If so, keep on voting the old party tickets. In order to show you how fast we are drifting to peonage, I will give you part of a rent contract drawn between a landlord and tenant. Read this and remember that the section of country where this contract was drawn, land was free fifteen years ago. This shows how fast we are drifting to serfdom. I want you to notice that the landlord reserves to himself all the powers of the courts, his judgment rules absolutely. The same power the landlords of Mexico had. Take Terrazas for instance, who owned half of state of Chihuahua and who had the finest furnished palace in the world. He owned the peons that lived on this vast estate and on that estate the present bloody revolution started. Four hundred of the peons on this estate rebelled against the vicious terms imposed upon them by the Terrazas family and most of them were put to death by Diaz's army, but that started an uprising that has compelled Tarrazas to flee from his county and is now in southern California: and Villa has divided this rich man's estate among the peons. If someone had told Tarrazas three years ago that he would be an exile from his country, that he would have to seek the protection of a foreign flag, he would have been just like many of you democrats and republicans, said "no, that can't happen." It has always been that way and it always will be. How silly are such expressions as that. The people wont stand oppressions always. The way for us to avert a bloody strife like what is going on in Mexico is to inform ourselves and go to the ballot box and straighten this matter up sensibly "Read and ponder this contract."

A contract between John H. Scott of Dodsonville, Texas, party of the first, and J. A. Looney of Hollis, Okla., party of the second part:

It is agreed by the parties that the following crop shall planted cotton, seventy per cent, Indian corn, five percent, feterita, five per cent; kaffir corn, five per cent and milo maize fifteen per cent, of the lands mentioned above, and of which crops the first party is to receive one-half as per agreement below:

First: Second party agrees to cultivate in good, careful and proper manner all the land described above, said first party to be judge of manner of cultivation and should second party fail, in the judgment of the first party, to properly cultivate said lands, then the first partry shall supplement the proper work, as per his judgment at expense of second party.

Fifth: Second party agrees to furnish one team of two good strong animals, first party to furnish team equally as good. Second party to furnish one good lister, planter, cultivator and section harrow, and first party to furnish such other tools as may be necessary for the proper cultivation of the crop as per the judgment of first party.

Seventh: First party agrees to furnish feed for the above mentioned stock, according to first party's judgment, and said stock to b fed at the home barn of first party if so desired by first party.

Twelfth: It is agreed by the parties hereto, that the judgment of the first party shall govern questions that may arise between the parties during the life of this lease.

Thirteenth: It is further agreed by both parties hereto, that on failure to comply with any of the stipulations of this contract, that the second party shall forfeit all his rights to said crop and shall deliver same to first party at once without notice, and first party shall re-enter and take possession of said premises.

What kind of a contract will the next generation be asked to sign? Democrat, Republican, what is your party's remedy? Get your platform and see what you can find to help or offer any relief for the mortgaged and renting farmer. Now get a Socialist state platform and read the renters' and farmers' program, and our National Platform says "all lands held for exploitation or speculation to be taxed at their full rental falue."

Voter, don't you let the Democratic party fool you with a promise of a rural credit system. You have it in the state constitution that the state school fund should be loaned first on farm mortgages and there is today over one million and a quarter of school money in the bank and the banks are paying three cents while you pay eight. Wonder how much longer they can fool you?

THE LAND QUESTION.

Very often you hear some fellow charging the Socialists with an intention of taking the land from the people. Reader, do you realize the land to a great extent is gone from the people? Over sixty per cent of the farmers in the United States are tenants and tenantry is increasing at a rapid rate. The following was **taken from the Daily Oklahoman:**

"If all the arable land of the United States which is not under plow could be put in to one huge farm, it would cover all of the United States rivers, says a writer in Leslie's. According to statistics which have been compiled by the department of Agriculture, this vast acreage of land that shauld be used but is not, totals 832,000,000 acres, which is equivalent to the combined areas of the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Montana."

Get a school geography and look at this vast area and remember the rich class has control of it and the children of this generation can never get possession only as the peons of Mexico, read what Blackstone said about land:

"But when the law is to be considered not only as a matter of practice, but also as a rational science, it cannot be improper or useless to examine more deeply the rudiments and grounds of the positive constituents of society. In the beginning of the world we are informed by Holy writ that the all bountiful Creator gave to man dominion over all the earth, over the fish of the sea, and over the fowls of the air, and every living thing that moves upon the earth. This is the only true and solid foundation of man's dominion over external things, whatever any metaphysical notions may have been started by fanciful writers upon the subject. The earth therefore, and all things therein are the general property of all mankind, exclusive of other beings, from the immediate gift of the creator."

"Whether there be in any country uncultivated lands and unemployed poor, it is clear that the laws of property have been so far extended as to violate natural rights." — Thomas **Jefferson.**

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To Our Rebels:—

From every nook and corner of Texas comes stirring words of the mighty opportunity that is now ours to reap down the fields of agitation white with the harvest of revolt.

Our capitalist masters have placed the final straw on the backs of the toilers of Texas and America. Not content with their immense stealings they are now using the European war as a pretext to beat down below the starvation level the prices of raw products and labor power that the working class must sell to the masters and at the same time to advance above all previous levels the cost of necessities that workers must buy back from the masters.

In this crisis the old party politicians stand almost paralyzed; all they can do is to put forward make-shift measures that will merely make bad matters worse in the final reckoning and they would not do this but for the fear that the Socialist party will sweep the state next November.

In this crisis the working class is turning instinctively to the Socialist party asking for a way out of the wilderness. Read the following extract from a personal letter to the writer from E. R. Meitzen, Socialist nominee for governor, who has been steadily on the hustings since May 26.

"I tell you T. A., the phsychological movement to strike and strike hard for our cause is here. In this tour of the gubernatorial candidates all previous records are smashed, so far as crowds and intense interest goes. This war-cotton-sugar business is waking the masses as never before. They are in a terrible condition and rotten ripe for revolt. Should not wonder, provided the ruling class do not let up in their mad race for profit from this war situation if bread riots do not take place in many places soon. In every community we go—especially in the rural regions they are coming our way in droves and it would be a crime if we Socialists overlooked the present God-given opportunity to reach the tens of thousands of Texas voters now ready for our message.

We must give them our message; we must show them the way out and we must DO IT NOW. For all these tremendous reasons The Rebel has decided to issue the greatest campaign edition in its history, chuck full of articles on the cotton-war-sugar situation, a general summing up of the campaign issues especially **articles with regard to LAND, etc.; including a stirring campaign manifesto by the gubernatorial candidates; E. R. Meitzen and W. S. Noble which** is calculated to shake Texas from center to circumference, **provided** we succeed in our aim of circulating

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(3.) If you prefer we will send papers to individual addresses at an additional cost of one-half cent per copy or a total of one cent per copy. ($1.00 per 100.)

Send in your orders without delay. There is no doubt but what this will be the greatest edition in the history of The Rebel therefore we must have all orders in as early as possible.

REMEMBER

Five hundred thousand copies circulated in Texas next month will mean over 500,000 votes for next November. It may mean victory and it will certainly mean that it will frighten the powers that be; they will begin to give the working class relief. In many cases it will be a good investment.

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THE CO-OPERATIVE COMMONWEALTH.

The class struggle between workers and owners can have only one possible ending. The end may be near or far, but sooner or later the great mass of the people who do the work will see their own separate interests of their class. They will see that it is folly for them to support in luxury a class of do nothing owners. They will unite to overthrow the capitalist system under which we are living and to establish the co-operative commonwealth. By this we mean a society in which the good things of life shall not be produced for the profit of a part of the people for the use of all the people and where no one who is able to work shall have the priviledge of living on the labor of others. We mean a society in which there shall not be a class of rulers with a class of workers under them, but in which all shall work and all shall rule, in which human equality shall be not a phrase, but a fact. When I say equality I do not mean that all the money or all the wealth of the country will be "divided up." That is something never advocated by a socialist, it is one of the ridiculous lies told by our opponents to scare the laborer who has $98.00 in the savings bank or who has a $1,200 cottage with a $900 mortgage on it. No, we do not need the money nor the house nor the automobiles, that the capitalists list today. We want the use of the earth and the machinery and our labor every year will produce all the good things we need. Again it is no part of the Socialist program to make wages exactly equal for all kinds of labor. When the Socialist party comes into power it will find industry being carried on and wages being paid. It will find some workers being paid good wages and others very low wages. It will find many unable to get work. It will find many children at work who ought to be in school. It will find that a large proportion of the earnings of those who work have been used to pay incomes to idlers. Now I do not know nor does anyone know just what will be the first act of a Socialist administration, but assuming that it comes into power with the general industrial conditions as I described them, I think it pretty safe to make a few Predictions as to what it would do. It would stop the paying of rents, interests and dividends to capitalists. It would take the children of the factories and send them to school and it would at least double the force of teachers within a short time. It would give at once the least skilled laborers enough of the comforts of life in return for their labor to let them live like human beings. It would at once reduce the hours of labor to not more than eight to be followed by further reductions as soon as a plentiful supply of the necessities and comforts of life have been accumulated. It would not matter whether money were continued or abolished. Sell the products of labor back to the laborer at actual cost allowing for a percentage to pay for public services furnished free which would take the place of our present taxes.

Henry Klimitcheck.

REBELETTES.

The Socialist party did not vote for war in any nation of the earth. The capitalist parties have voted for war in every nation of the earth. The Rebel would arise to inquire what ticket did you vote last election day and what ticket will you vote next November? Be careful how you answer.

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It looks as if the organized church has been shot to pieces by the guns of the allied troops and the German-Austrian forces. Who is to blame? Is it the Socialist party who, in all these nations, have fought war for a generation or is it those who voted for war?

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You must learn to think freedom before you can strike for freedom.

If you get 7c cotton and $12.00 seed and you voted for it what kick have you coming? Moral: Keep out of a pro or anti political brawl.

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The Rebel has for years told you that while you were fighting over prohibition the powers that be were preparing to put something across on you. They have done it. Sugar and lard has gone up, cotton and seed has gone down and the wife is out in the back lot milking the cow and crying. Who is a Henry Dubb?

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That Renter's Union convention in Waco will sure be some gathering. Get there. Get there if you have to ride a freight or beg or borrow the money or if you have to sleep in a wagon yard after your arrival. Get there and take part in the battle.

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Think of it for a moment. The authorities tell us that there are 117,600,000 acres of land fit for cultivation lying idle in Texas and yet there are actual farmers and renters on the ragged edge of starvation. Oh! That Donk!

To rub it in: The same authorities tell us that there are only 27,000,000 acres of land under cultivation in Texas. Hurrah for the Donk!

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In these days of state banks as recommended by Governor Colquitt regional banks as recommended by President Wilson and "cotton as good as gold notes" as recommended by "Bob" Henry the Rebel would like to ask if all this is not enough to make the poor greenbacker of the 80's who was rotten egged for proclaiming the doctrine that the stamp of the government was all sufficient for money turn over in his grave and long for Gabriel's horn to blew, when he may have an opportunity to smite his detractors.

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Work is life in its fullness labor is a curse and all real men hate it.

Did you ever hear of the regional bank? It's a great scheme. Boiled down it works like this: The farmer deposits his cotton as security for a loan of more or less greenback currency. After he has deposited it the Government gives the currency to the banker who loans it at 12 per cent. The banker pays the government 2 per cent for the money that the banker secures on the farmers security. The difference in favor of the banker seems to be 10 per cent to the superficial observer. The Rebel believes that actually it is more than 20 times that much. Get your pencil and paper and figure what is the difference in favor of the banker. The first man that sends in the exact percentage will receive as a prize a four years sub to The Rebel.

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In the meantime keep this firmly fixed in mind that you have an opportunity to vote for Ernest Meitzen next November; God is in the heavens, the war is on and the Socialist party is doing business at the same old stand.

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No doubt the cotton acreage in Texas and Oklahoma must be reduced. There are plenty of people in these states who can rake together enough goods or clothing to flag the water wagon but there is an overproduction of cotton. There are men who vote the democrat ticket who have to go to bed while their wives patch their cotton overalls— but there is an overproduction of cotton and it must be stopped. So it is proposed to tax the producer so that he wont be so industrious.

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How long do you figure that it will take the Colorado strikers to starve John D. into submission when they are hungry and the oily one has an income of a little over forty dollars a minute?

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Socialism demands Socialists. TRUTH makes them. TRUTH is a hewer of stone for the temple of the future.

Oklahoma Notes.

(H. M. Sinclair, State Secretary.)

New Locals for the Week.

Cookson, 7 members, C. A. Stine, Cookson;— Buck Creek, 7, Timothy Supllivan, Jumbo;— Eureka, 5, J. B. Rozzell, Butler, RFD;— Locust Grove, 8, Chas. Pickett, Locust Grove; — Commerce, 8, W. G. Meeks, Ryan, R 1, bx 45, — Sunny Brook, 8, A. Y. Pense, Coweta; — Glendale, 5, E. E. Stidham, Depew;— Loam, 10, E. C. Be-Mosher, Hallett, bx 51;— Goodland Academy, 5, R. E. Littlejohn, Hugo — Columbia, 5, Jennie Cole, Dover R. 4;— Turpin, 10, Dan Weeden, Porum;— Friendship, 10, W. T. Cargell,— Salina, 5, Gus. Vallborn, Salina;— Crocker, 5, Aaron B. Peters, Adair;— Cottonwood, 10, Chas. H. Matthews, Muldrow;— Flower Mound, 8, J. W. Moore Lawton R 2;— Total 17 new locals for the week with a membership of 126.

In Distress Again.

Bulletin No. 2, entitled a "STATE ROBBED AND BETRAYED" is printed, wrapped ready to send out and not a cent in the treasury to pay postage with. The printer has received his money for the work, the stock bill for bulletins No. 1 and 2, $270.60 will be due on October 5th, the coast of mailing out bulletin No. 2 will be $150.00. Then there comes Bulletins No. 3 and 4. It is hell comrades, this thing of trying to do big things with no funds to work with.

They must be sent out though. The time is ripe for socialist propaganda, the people are eager to learn and it is up to us to give them the dope.

Bulletin No. 3 will deal with the cotton situation and high cost of food stuff will put the capitalist parties down and out for good in Oklahoma.

I know there are many comrades in this state who could afford to give a dollar for the cause this year that have not given a cent and I also feel that we had ought be raise more than $1150.00 for a campaign out of more than 75,000 voters which we will have this year. This is the year of great opportunities for us and we must take advantage of it. It takes the real KALE to buy stock, pay printers and buy postage stamps, and this office hasn't got it now and wont have it unless you comrades get busy and send it in.

Lincoln County Encampments.

Two miles east of Kendrick, Oct. 2, 3, and 4. Four miles east of Carney, October 6, 7, and 8. Ten miles south of Wellston, October 10,11, and 12. Sparks October 14, 15, and 16. Speakers advertised Judge E. S. Hurt, Madill, Geo T. Demaree of Kansas City, Mo., Marion Hughes, nominee for Congress 4th district, P. S. Nagle, Fred W. Holt, J. O. Welday, W. D. Cope, H. M. Sinclair and others

For concessions write to L. A. Stanwood, Stroud R. 1, Oklahoma.

The Socialist Incubator of Calvin, W. H. Neblick, Manager, bought the first bale of cotton in Calvin, 595 lbs at 10c or $59.50 and will donate this bale to the State of Oklahoma if a state cotton factory is built and owned by the people of Oklahoma.

Free Speech Fight at Muskogee and Tulsa.

In the cities of Muskogee and Tulsa there is a concerted movement to rob Socialist speakers of the right of free speech and free assemblage. Comrades Brink, Crain, and Heiser were recently arrested in Muskogee for speaking on the street. They were thrust in jail and next morning fined $10.00 each, from which an appeal has been taken.

They have organized a defense committee to carry on battle for free speech and free assemblage. They need help to carry out this work and donations will be much appreciated. Send all funds to Mrs. Blanche Riehn, 803 N B st, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Queenie Case Overlooked. So New Date Is Set.

Above is the headline as appeared in the Oklahoma City News on Monday, September 14th, 1914. It follows: The date of the hearing of the much talked about "Queenie" case in which Arthur King and B. H. Powell are charged with procuring an indecent dance for the cattlemen's convention last March, passed without either the prosecutors or defendants knowing it. Another trial date was necessary and so it was announced that the facts connected with the staging of the entertainment before 4000 persons in the auditorium will be aired next November 11th.

There you are again. The same old political bunk being played by the same gangs. Note they put it off until after election. Ye Gods.

U. G. Tuttle of Tulsa for Labor Commissioner.

J. Luther Langston has had his name withdrawn from the state ticket as nominee for commissioner of Labor. He states that he desires to keep down friction in the party. After election he proposes to issue a statement for the membership at large.

The S E C have selected Comrade U. G. Tuttle of Tulsa to fill the place. Comrade Tuttle is at present secretary of the typografical union of Tulsa and has been an active member of this union for more then 15 years and his ability as an officer has been recognized wherever he has lived. In Little Rock, Ark., Memphis, Tenn., Vicksburg, Miss., Springfield, Mo., he held various offices in the union.

He held the office of secretary of the typografical union at Tulsa for more than four years and has been a resident of Tulsa for more than five years. He has had considerable experience in settling labor troubles that have arisen between the employed and the employer. He has represented his local union at state federation conventions for years, and is recognized by all a true friend to labor and commands the respect of all his fellow workers.

Comrade Tuttle has been a member of the Socialist party in continuous good standing for more than 12 years. He will be the next Commissioner of Labor for Oklahoma and will do credit to the cause he represents.

Speakers Dates.

H. H. Stallard: Harmon, Sept. 28th, 8 p. m.; Crawford, 30th, 8 p. m.; Durham, Oct. 1st, 8 p. m.; Rankin, 2nd, 8 p. m.; Cheynne, 3rd, 8 p. m.; Strong City, Oct 3rd, 8 p. m.; Carter, Oct. 4, 3 p. m.; Mangum, Oct 5th, 2 p. m.

O. M. Morris: Hastings, Sept 28th, 8 p. m.; Temple, 29th, 8 p. m.; Walter, 30th, 8 p. m.; Lawton, Oct 1st and 2nd, 8 p. m.; Anadarko, Oct. 2, and 4, 8 p. m.; Chickasha, Oct 3rd, 4 and 8 p. m.

Comrade Wm. A. Ward of St. Louis, Mo., has just closed a series of 3 day encampments in Caddo county under the management of County Secretary L. E. Davis. Comrade J. T. Guenette of Sulphur furnished the music which was highly appreciated. His lectures are from the view point of the Christian socialist fellowship and are a power in removing prejudice from the minds of those who fancy there is a conflict between socialism and christianity.

A CHALLENGE.

Written for The Rebel by Stanley J. Clark.

We have builded your mansions and cities,
And lived in the gutters like rats,
You've profferred as pay for the service
A blow on the head with your "bats"
We hewed down the forest primeval,
Fields come laughing with grain
You profferred the crumbs from your table
With bellies fill the gain.

You've roasted the children of the workers
Their hands uplifted in prayer
You've ravished their mothers before them
No beast so acts in his lair.
You've driven the workers from homestead,
To Ludlow they tramped in their flight
Tired at last of your slaughter
They have turned in madness to fight.

No longer they cower and whimper,
When threatened with hell by your priests.
Now they but laugh at your rantings,
From strongest unto the least;
An eye for an eye is their motto
Tooth for tooth as of yore
With rifles in hand they are knocking
As angels of death at your door.

They demand but the earth and its fullness,
The workers are forging the steel
To plunge thru the guts of your gunmen
The wolf shall come for his meal,
For the hoofs of our horses shall trample,
Your flesh into a pulp on the sand
The cries of your kind will make music
For vultures then prowling the land.

They will sweep from the steps of churches
The cross you have used but to fright,
They will make of it hilts for the Machetes
To torture you with in the fight,
You preachers shall know more of mercy,
The blood of the innocent slain,
We still lash them like Christ aid from the temple
Drive them as swine through the lane.

For the world belongs to the workers,
They feed and they nurture its life;
The powers be damned with their teachings,
The fathers of war and of strife.
We are tired of the promised tomorrow,
Today the deed shall be done.
We have marshalled our forces for conflict.
The cries of our children says, come.

Nobody has ever intelligently charged The Rebel with being anarchistic, but if the whole present Donk legislature were to be dumped across the Austin dam we would respectfully state that we are regretfuly unable to shed one saltine tear.

Correspondence

THE FRUITS OF CAPITALISM.

That we have capitalism rampant, gone to seed and overshadowing, smothering and corrupting everything, everywhere is an admitted and well established fact. That the government and the working people themselves have produced sanction and maintain it, is a well known fact, otherwise it could not exist. That God, Christ, James and other biblical characters condemned and denounced it in positive and emphatic terms incontrovertable. It breeds and nurses the bad in everything and smothers the good. It protects greed and prevents injustice. It produces crime oppresses the poor, robs labor, destroys liberty and legitimate opportunities. It is a festering sore a blighting disease, a national curse a deceitful fraud a useless burden on labor and colossal robbery. This is so transparent that all intelligent people can see. It is a crime against God, Christianity and humanity and is sustained by deception ignorance and prejudice. It is a heartless soulless, tyranical, inhumane debasing, debauching, immoral and murderous monster, that disregards justice, laughs at poverty and misery winks at crime graft profits, produces war, hatred and destruction, incites murder, disregards humanity, defiles courts and juries, nurses perjury, degrades citizenship, corrupts legislature, destroys true patriotism, destroys virtue and makes and fills the land with shoddy, sham, falseness and adulteration for profits. It produces diseases, poverty and slavery. It poisons infants, robs children, destroys virtue, manhood and womanhood, blights youthfulness and tramples upon old age. It breaks up home destroys natural affections, extinguishes ambition, stagnates love, blights hope and produces infidelity. It produces war destruction, debts bondage sorrow, and blights confidence, sears consciousness, murders honor, curses the world and corrupts all it touches it gloats over its power, smiles at its crimes and hastens its own destruction. This is present day capitalism and just few of its many evil fruits as it now exists all over the world. The awful list of its crimes and abuses is too long to enumerate. It is all the result of greed, fraud and special privilegies. Say my brother, do you endorse it?

Are you a lover of God, humanity, justice and liberty? Are you a moralist or christian? If so how can you endorse defend or vote for these conditions? What can you see in it for you, your children and humanity? Will you not think reasons and investigate before you further commit yourself? Will you take your stand for justice and humanity, or will you serve the God of mammon greed and plunder? Capitalism when used for the benefit of all, as all public utilities should be used would be a blessing instead of a curse as it is now used against the people and labor in particular. Let's capitalize the government the people. Your vote is the means will you rightly use it?

J. T. Estes.
Alamo Beach, Texas.

De Leon, Tex., Sept. 10, 1914.
Editor of The Rebel:—

I will try and write a few lines as I see the world today, and our nation. In this supreme hour of human history we must speak Socialism to the world. Socialism must now arise for half the world is engulfed in an unspeakable horror, the other half against capitalism has reached its inevitable tragedy All the demons of its utmost hell at last unloaded upon our modern civilization. In all the crisis but one clear call ane voice of calmness and wisdom one force to shield humanity from the withering lines of a world of conflagration the thunder of martial desistated the rude God of War is galloping across the world in a saddle of steel and sneers and laughs in savage glee, he wades in blood his music is the rattle of rifles and a million groans from broken hearts and force rules supreme and to the roar of christian cannons thrust brotherhood off the stage. Morally capitalist civilization spreads bankrupt over the world and Socialism is the only conserving force. Socialism alone is equal to this emergency alone and can meet the titanic powers and problems now confronting a shuddering world and the world seems to feel it now. Everywhere humanity is turning to Socialism as a last possible hope in this dread hour. When yesterday the press the platform and the pulpit had for us the world of scorn today everywhere but one thought animates us and the thought that Socialism may yet be the one last hope of a depraved civilization. Today the world will listen to us with bated breath with eager hearts half won already to our hope.

Comrades this is our one supreme opportunity nothing like it has ever confronted the Socialist party of this or any other nation and aptly may the devil sneer at the pomp of civilization now in sudden and shameful collapse these are the saddest and the bitterest hours in all the upward climb of the human race from savagery to the dawn of the new time and a few million of the proletarist scorning creeds of color race and national boundaries, but comrades I for one am a world-wide. Socialist to the core and as long as European civilization has gone mad. Capitalism has first obsessed and now demented the nations.

Yours for freedom,
H. Norton.

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Chicago, Sept. 15, 1914.
To the Locals of the Socialist Party:—

Occasionally it is necessary for every local to exert itself to the utmost. That time is now here.

Humanity is stirred today as it has never been stirred since the dawn of history. It would almost seem that civilization is breaking down. It is a crisis of capitalism and we must take advantage of the situation.

You know that back of all the murder and blood letting is the desire for commercial supremacy. And Socialism alone knows the solution of that problem.

Then let us carry this knowledge to our fellows, let us hold immense mass-meetings. Every union will co-operate. Every woman will be sympathetic.

Resolutions should be passed and sent to the president and congress, demanding in strong terms that the government take over such industries as may be necessary to protect the people's food supply from speculators and gamblers.

By acting unitedly in this matter we can make a display of strength; we can show America that the Socialist party is alert, and watchful of the workers' interest and thus create an impression that could not be made under normal circumstances.

The Nationl office has prepared special literature, namely "Socialism, the Lone Foe of War," a chapter from Benson's "Truth About Socialism;" a stirring challenge to the nation. "Starve the War and Feed America" issued by the National Campaign committee, and "Socialists and the Sword" by Kirkpatrick. The country should be covered broadcast with this literature. It is cheap but extremely effectnve; it strikes the only clear note in this whole situation.

Everybody to work. Starve the War and Feed America.

Yours fraternally,
Walter Lanfersiek,
Executive Secretary.

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NO EXCUSE FOR DECLINE IN SEED IS KONE'S VIEW.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 15.— The following statement has been given out:

To the farmers of Texas:— Another peril to the cotton industry has developed in the cupidity of the cotton seed oil mills, and it involves comparatively as great or greater loss than is threatened by the war depression on cotton. I refer to the fact that with the decline of the price of cotton in consequence of the war from 15 to 7 1-2 cents the mill men have forced down the market price of cotton seed from $28 to $14 per ton.

The small farmer, deprived of profits on his cotton, is forced to dispose of his cotton seed at whatever price it pleases the mill man to offer.

The emergency created by war conditions should enhance rather than depreciate the price of cotton seed, for, as a by-product of the staple, the seed is strictly a food product, and the prices of all food products have materially increased as a consequence of the war. For instance, the price of cotton seed lard compound has steadily advanced, while the price of the basic element, the seed, has as steadily depreciated. There is absolutely no excuse, much less justification, for this, whatever may be said of the conditions controlling the fluctuating values of cotton.

By way of illustration: Purchasing a bucket of lard compound manufactured from the cotton seed he sold the mill man, the farmer pays more for it today than he did before the war conditions arose. Yet today he gets but half for his cotton seed that he got for it before the war.

As to the mill man's profit under present conditions:

One ton of cotton seed will produce:—

400 pounds oil at 6 cents	$24.00
700 poundh meal at 1 1-4c	$8.75
100 pounds linters at 3 cents	$3.00
750 pounds hulls at 1-4 cent	$1.87
50 pounds waste	
Total	$37.62

For one ton of cotton seed the farmer gets $12, or a profit to the mill man of $26.62 per ton.

It may well be asked if the farmers of Texas are going to submit to this outrageous piracy upon their depleted resources.

Cotton seed is worth more in the ground as fertilizer than $14 per ton, and I invoke the judgment of the cotton raisers of Texas, especially of heavy crops, if it is not their patriotic and humanitarian duty to meet this attempted ravishment of our greatest industry by refusing to dispose of a pound for less than its commercial value as a food commodity. Every farmer who possibly can should return every seed to the ground as fertilizer rather than feed it to cormorants at half price.

Ed. R. Kone,
Commissioner of Agriculture.

THEY LIE.

Written for The Rebel by Stanley J. Clark.

The poet has sung of tomorrow,
Startled the world with his lay,
When the world is bereft of its sorrow,
And happiness comes with the day.

The lion is pictured in kindness,
Asleep with the lamb on the lawn,
The Goddess of love is her kindness,
Is protecting the weak from the strong.

They know in their hearts they are lying,
For man is ever a slave,
Freedom comes with the dying,
Of the king, the fool and the knave.

If cotton is selling at 6 cents a pound,
No farmer is filled with glee,
And yet the ding-busted galoot
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SLUGS SOCIALIST LAWYER.

G. H. Duthie, lawyer, a very active Socialist of Clarksburg, W. Va., was brutally assaulted by "Bob" shuttleworth, a licensed gunman of the Consolidation Coal Company, who is still under bond charged with intent to kill John W. Brown, by shooting with a high-power rifle from the window of the coal company's office Duthie has been active in defending the workers in the courts. He defended Anna A. Maley in the free speech fight last summer and since then has been a "marked man." Duthie was offered insult of the most vulgar kind, to which he paid no attention. Shuttleworth crossed the street and continued to abuse and struck him behind the ear, and later over the eye. Prosecution begun. The feeling is bitter on the part of the Socialists and sympathizers.

If a man is away from his land to which he holds a parchment title for a period of ten years and another man takes possession of it and pays taxes on it the state gives the latter the land. What is this but "use and occupancy" and is so recognized by the law? That is where Ernest Meitzen stands.

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